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Dear Mom & Dad,

We're back in the Villaverde Hotel in Naples after a great trip to France! The details are on two tapes which I will mail tomorrow with this letter. I also took pictures which I'll send when available.

The weather was perfect during our trip, but now it is windy & stormy although warm. Our room is cozy with a heater, extra lamp, and radio (Vickie just turned off Merv Griffin!)

Thanks for the cookies which were still fresh - a nice reminder of home! Saturday the helicopter will take our staff (130) back to the Nimiq with the next stop scheduled to be Haifa, Israel. Should be back in Naples on 21 Dec in time for a short Christmas trip to Sicily before leaving for Wash DC about 30 Dec.

We'll stay there until 10 pm &  
I'll call you during that time.

I'm quite busy at work but  
it is interesting which makes  
it easy. The next few months  
will pass very quickly. However,  
I feel as though we're getting  
to see and do everything we  
wanted and so will be satisfied  
to leave Europe. I'm very anxious  
to start running again now that  
particularly because Fred Krueger  
has qualified for the Boston  
Marathon. I'll definitely be there  
in April 1983!

Your letters are great and  
make us feel at home!

Love,  
Jim & Vickie